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SHUM CHUN	arr.	7.44	8.50	10.19	2.18	3.40
CANTON	arr.	—	12.10	5.04	—	6.45

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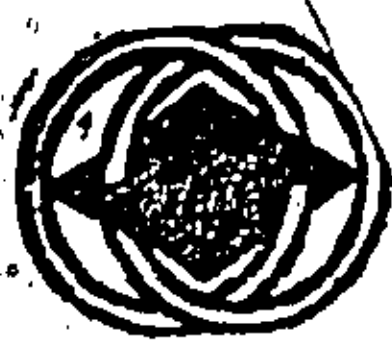
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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
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Hongkong, 26th February, 1922. [462]

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Hongkong, February 27th, 1922. [460]

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32 x 4	...	115.50	9.75
33 x 4	...	120.00	10.50
33 x 4	...	122.00	11.00
33 x 4	...	130.00	11.50
33 x 4	...	135.00	11.75
33 x 4	...	137.00	12.00
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HUGE HAUL BY "SQUEEZE" ARTISTS. FICTITIOUS RAILWAY ORDERS. FOREIGN COMMERCIAL COMMUNITY IN PEKING BADLY HIT.

The Peking correspondent of the Shanghai Mercury writes: There is one Wang and one Hu, now safely domiciled in the foreign concessions of Tsingtao and Tientsin respectively, who might each lay claim to a similar fame that befel the renowned Koepnick two weeks ago they were both respectable members of society; now they are fugitives. Two weeks ago they were respectable members of the purchasing department of the Peking-Hankow Railway Administration, respected by their superiors and enjoying the smiles of the foreign business community; now they are basking in the effulgence of an opulent atmosphere made possible by a classic example of the joke that is practical. In short, they are said to have disposed with something like \$250,000 between them after perpetrating a stupor on the heads of the luckless foreign officials of the railway's stock and what inspired them. I have not to ramble. But the New Year festivities did not agree with their pockets. But that as it may, they were both afflicted with the same inspiration, and together they concocted the means whereby to replenish their private exchequers. In this way it was part of their duty to arrange transactions with the representatives of foreign manufacturers of railway material. Business of this nature has been slack for some time in China, and in any case is never brisk in the few months preceding Chinese New Year. It was, therefore, with unforgotten pleasure that the said firms beheld the visage of the purchasing department duo in their front offices the other day.

A sigh—a sigh—sore eyes. The sight meant business. And so it proved. Wang and Hu explained that they would receive fresh orders in a day or so, but, of course, they were the little matter of commission to go first. Now Wang and Hu are known as very foreign importers of railway material in Peking, and the situation as here presented was by no means a new experience. It was part of the ordinary routine preliminary to the booking of any order with the Railway. "Squeeze" is its other name. So the foreign firms (separately, of course) murmured "certainly" and inquired with great trepidation about the nature and the extent of the order which was proposed to be placed. Details were unfolded and commissions worked out to the satisfaction of both parties concerned.

The pre-tin drink tasted likeectar that day to many a foreigner in Peking. But it may be supposed he did not take long over it; for the home manufacturers must be informed, and that right speedily. The cables took the news across the seas. In one instant 10,000 tons of steel rails were committed, and that is enough information with which to visualize various factories in England and America taking a new lease of life, at least so far as the China market was concerned. Several managing directors were concerned. Have been imagined bearing a different aspect when the word "China" was mentioned in their presence.

Meantime, Wang and Hu, after making a thorough tour of all the firms which did business with the Railway, and acquainting them with the orders they would receive in due course, repaired to a rendezvous at which to assess their good fortune in private. The "pickings," they found, would make them richer by a quarter of a million dollars. But they could not count their "pickings" as yet.

LITTLE RAYS OF SUNSHINE. The strategem had to be worked out to its logical conclusion before the actual cash came their way. So the promised orders were dispatched from the office of the Kin-Han Railway Administration by Wang and Hu, acting in collusion. They had done that work many times before and, therefore, there was not a flaw in the documents as they were received by the anticipatory importers on the following morning.

Even the signature of the responsible official did not betray the redoubtable pair who promptly followed up the orders by another round of calls, that time for their "squeeze." Needless to say, it was forthcoming in every case. The firms were only too thankful that the wheels of Commerce were moving at last, besides which there was nothing novel in the procedure. With the money safely in their possession, Wang and Hu soon shook their dust of Peking off their shoes, their clothes, and their minds, and reached their respective asylums without anybody being the wiser.

With each official order is sent a duplicate, and this forms the acknowledgment of the firm "for favour received." An avalanche of these acknowledgments awaited the responsible official referred to on his arrival at the office on the day after the disappearance of the tricksters; and they pursued him throughout the day. To him they bore "a very ancient and fish-like smell." Try as he would he could not account for them until the disappearance of Messrs. Wang and Hu furnished the clue. Then the light dawned on the bewildered official, and in his enlightenment he passed on the intelligence to the victimized firms.

SAD REPRESENTATIVES. Certain representatives of foreign manufacturers are to-day sadly contemplating an "as you were" position which has left them as they weren't by a few thousand dollars and without a single shred of hope—legal or otherwise—of retrieving the "squeeze" that beamed "swag." The pre-tin drink now-a-days is gall and wormwood, and there must be several managing directors who are wearing a different aspect from that worn a few days ago when the word "China" is mentioned in their presence. But it must be admitted that Koepnick has been "out-Koepnicked" by one Wang and one Hu, both sons of Han.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY'S SHOW. PRIZE LIST.

At the Horticultural Society's Show on the 2nd inst. was as follows:—

SECTION 1. Plants in Pots—Open to all except Peak Gardens and Chinese Market Gardeners.

Marguerites.—1, United Services Recreation Club; 2, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard. Nasturtiums.—1, Hongkong Club; 2, U.S.B.C. Award of Merit. Crickets.—1, D. G. M. Bernard; 2, Mr. Ho Kom Tong. Begonias.—1, Mr. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard. Double Geraniums.—1, Mr. G. M. Shaw; 2, Sir Paul Chater. Single Geraniums.—1, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard; 2, Sir Paul Chater. Ivy-leaved Geraniums.—1, Sir Paul Chater.

Cactus and Peony Dahlias.—Mr. Ho Fook; 2, Lady Ho Tung. Dahlias, other than Cactus or Peony.—1, Sir Paul Chater; 2, Lady Ho Tung. Heliotrope.—1, Sir Paul Chater; 2, Hongkong Club.

Petunias.—1, Mr. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Verbena.—1, Mr. Ho Kom Tong; 2, K.C.C. Linaria (tall varieties).—1, Mr. Ho Fook. Clarkia.—Award of Merit, Mr. Ho Kom Tong.

Sweet Peas.—Award of Merit, Mr. Ho Kom Tong. Larkspurs.—1, Sir Paul Chater; 2, Ladies' Recreation Club. Freesia, white or lemon coloured.—1, Mrs. Jordan; 2, Mr. Ho Kom Tong.

Plants in Pots.—1, Hongkong Club; 2, K.C.C. Roses.—1, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard. Dianthus, excluding Carnation, Picotee and Sweet William.—1, Mrs. Chao; 2, Lady Ho Tung.

Carnations and Picotees.—1, Mr. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Sir Paul Chater; 3, Award of Merit, Mrs. Jordan. Maiden Hair Ferns.—1, Lady Ho Tung; 2, Miss M. Loureiro.

Ferns, excluding Maiden Hair and Asparagus Plumosa.—1, Sir Paul Chater. Asparagus Plumosa.—1, Mrs. Jordan; 2, Mignonette.—1, Mr. Ho Kom Tong; 2, French Marigolds.—1, Mr. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Sir Paul Chater.

Nasturtium (dwarf varieties).—1, Mr. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard. Antirrhinum.—1, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard; 2, Lady Ho Tung. Violets.—1, Hongkong Club; 2, Mr. Ho Kom Tong.

Cinerarias.—1, Mrs. Jordan. Stocks.—1, Mr. Ho Fook; 2, Mr. G. M. Shaw. Primula.—1, Lady Ho Tung; 2, Award of Merit, Mr. Ho Kom Tong.

Tropaeolum Canariense.—Award of Merit, Mr. G. M. Shaw. Annuals, Daisies and any plants.—1, Lady Ho Tung; 2, Mr. Ho Kom Tong.

SECTION 2. Plants in Pots—Peak Gardens only.

Marguerite.—1, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin; 2, Mrs. A. Murdoch. Nasturtiums (tall varieties).—1, Mrs. F. C. Hall; 2, Mrs. H. W. Bird.

Savina.—1, Mr. T. E. Pearce; 2, Mr. L. Yates. Aunus (excluding Nasturtiums).—1, Mr. T. E. Pearce; 2, Mrs. H. W. Bird. Annuals (not included in above).—1, Mr. L. Yates; 2, Dr. Forsyth.

Arums.—1, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin; 2, Sir Robert Ho Tung. Antirrhinum.—1, Sir Robert Ho Tung; 2, Begonias.—1, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin; 2, Mr. J. A. Plummer.

Cactus and Peony Dahlias.—No award. Other than Cactus or Peony.—No award. Heliotrope.—1, Mr. L. Yates; 2, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin.

Double Geraniums.—1, Mr. L. Yates; 2, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin. Single Geraniums.—1, Sir Robert Ho Tung. Ivy-leaved Geraniums.—No award.

Petunias.—Mr. L. Yates. Clarkia.—Mr. N. L. Watson. Cactus and Peony Dahlias.—No award. Dahlias other than Cactus or Peony.—No award. Mignonette.—1, Mr. N. L. Watson; 2, Sir Robert Ho Tung.

SECTION 3. Vegetables, etc. Open to all except Peak Gardens and Chinese Market Gardeners.

Collection of Vegetables.—1, Hongkong Club; 2, Mr. Ho Kom Tong. Cabbages.—Award of Merit, Lady Ho Tung; 2, Club.

Savoy Cabbage.—1, K.C.C.; 2, Sir Paul Chater or Broccoli.—1, K.C.C.; 2, M. Bernard; 2, Mr. Ho Kom Tong. Lettuce (cos varieties).—1, Mr. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Hongkong Club.

Endive.—1, Mr. Ho Kom Tong. Brussels Sprouts.—1, Hongkong Club; 2, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard.

Kohl Rabi.—1, Ho Kom Tong; 2, Hongkong Club. Turnips.—1, Sir Paul Chater; 2, Hongkong Club. Carrots.—1, K.C.C.; 2, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard.

Parasprays.—1, K.C.C.; 2, Hongkong Club. Onions.—1, Lady Ho Tung. Leeks.—1, Sir Paul Chater; 2, Lady Ho Tung.

Potatoes.—1, Lady Ho Tung; 2, Mr. Ho Kom Tong. Radishes.—1, Sir Paul Chater; 2, Hongkong Club. Beets.—1, K.C.C.; 2, Hongkong Club.

Celery.—1, Hongkong Club; 2, Lady Ho Tung. Tomatoes.—1, Mr. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Lady Ho Tung. Peas.—1, Mr. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Lady Ho Tung.

French Beans.—1, Hongkong Club; 2, Mr. Ho Kom Tong. Vegetable Marrows.—1, Hongkong Club; 2, Award of Merit, Mr. Ho Kom Tong.

SECTION 4. Vegetables, etc.—Peak Gardens only.

Collection of vegetables.—1, Mrs. H. W. Bird; 2, Mr. J. A. Plummer. Cabbages.—1, Mrs. H. W. Bird; 2, Dr. Forsyth.

Savoy Cabbages.—1, Sir Robert Ho Tung; 2, Commander Beckwith. Cauliflowers or Broccoli.—1, Matilda Hospital; 2, Mr. C. E. H. Beavis.

Lettuce (cabbage varieties).—1, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin. Lettuce (cos varieties).—1, Matilda Hospital; 2, Mrs. H. W. Bird.

Endive.—1, Sir Robert Ho Tung. Brussels Sprouts.—1, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin. Kohl Rabi.—1, Matilda Hospital.

Turnips.—1, Mr. C. E. H. Beavis; 2, Mr. N. L. Watson. Carrots.—1, Mrs. H. W. Bird; 2, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin.

Parasprays.—1, Mrs. H. W. Bird; 2, Matilda Hospital. Onions.—No award. Leeks.—1, Mr. L. Yates; 2, Matilda Hospital.

Potatoes.—1, Sir Robert Ho Tung; 2, Mrs. H. W. Bird. Radishes.—1, Mr. N. L. Watson; 2, Matilda Hospital.

Beets.—1, Matilda Hospital; 2, Mr. N. L. Watson. Heads of Celery.—1, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin.

Tomatoes.—1, Mr. J. A. Plummer; 2, Matilda Hospital. Pods of Peas.—1, Mr. C. E. H. Beavis; 2, Mrs. A. Murdoch.

Pods of French Beans.—No award. Vegetables Marrows.—1, Mr. N. L. Watson. Cut Flowers, open to all except Peak Gardens and Chinese Market Gardeners.

Cut Flowers.—1, Mr. R. A. Nicholson; 2, Lady Ho Tung. Sweet Peas.—1, Mr. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Mr. F. F. E. Silva.

Antirrhinum.—1, Sir Paul Chater; 2, Mr. Ho Kom Tong. Red or Pink Roses.—1, Sir Paul Chater. White or Yellow Roses.—1, Sir Paul Chater.

SPORTS FOOTBALL

All matches due to-day in which South China were down to play have been postponed at the request of the South China Association.

The following games should take place to-day:—

HONGKONG SHIELD SEMI-FINAL

Hongkong Club v. H.M.S. Tamar, Club ground, kick-off 4.30 p.m. Referee: Mr. Smith. Lineup: Messrs. J. McCubbin and A. Newton.

HONGKONG LEAGUE

Division I. Kick-off 4.30 p.m. Kowloon v. H.M.S. Ambrose, Kowloon ground, Happy Valley. Referee: Mr. Williams.

Division II. Kick-off 3 p.m. United A.C. v. Kowloon Reserves, United ground. Referee: Mr. Garton. St. Joseph's v. University, St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Newton.

All games this week have been put back fifteen minutes. Kick-off 3 p.m. and 4.30 p.m. The semi-final on the Club ground should attract a large crowd to-day where a good game is expected. The Tamar disposed of the United from the competition in this match but should win on the dashing play of their forwards. The Tamar's backs are weak and with Mitchell out of form the Club should enter the final.

There is only one match in the League first division this week and that takes place on the Kowloon ground where the Ambrose are visitors. The game should end in a win for the sailors. University should win against the College and the United and Kowloon should play a drawn game.

CRICKET

Owing to the Strike duties the matches arranged for to-day between H.K.C.C. and Navy and H.K.C.C. and XI and Police are cancelled.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COL. L. G. BIRD, D.S.O., ADMINISTRATIVE COMMANDANT.

Owing to the Strike the Field Day arranged for Sunday, March 5th, is postponed.

The Orders already issued to O.C. Units will be retained for use at a later date.

PARADES

Infantry Drill, Bayonet Fighting and Lewis Gun Instruction will take place on Monday, March 6th, at Volunteer Headquarters, and Kowloon Dock on Friday, March 10th, at 5.30 p.m. for trained men and recruits.

MUSKETRY

Part II of the Annual Musketry Course will be fired by the Engineer Co. on Sunday, March 5th, at Stonecutters Range, commencing at 10 a.m. A launch will leave Murray Pier at 8 a.m. Dress: Drill order.

Officer for duty: 2nd-Lieut. R. M. Smith, M.B.E.

MACHINE-GUN SECTION

Machine Gunners Instructional Parades will be held on Monday, March 5th and Friday, March 10th, at Volunteer Headquarters, at 5.30 p.m.

HOURED INFANTRY SECTION

Parade at Polo ground, Camseway Bay, on Friday, March 10th, at 5.15 p.m. Dress: Plain clothes.

CADET COMPANY

Parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Monday, March 6th, at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Drill order.

PROMOTION

No. 80 Private H. Green, No. 2 Platoon (Infantry Company) is promoted to the rank of Corporal, with effect from this date.

REVERSION

No. 103 Lance-Sergeant A. G. W. Tickle, Engineer Company, is permitted to revert to the rank of his own request, with effect from this date.

R. B. Young, Major, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C., Hongkong, March 3rd, 1922.

SECTION 7. General Exhibits—Open to all.

Ladies' Flower sprays and Gentlemen's Button Holes.—No award. Cut Roses.—1, Mr. R. A. Nicholson; 2, Mr. T. E. Pearce.

Cut Flowers (decorative effect).—1, Mrs. H. W. Bird. Basket of Cut Flowers for Children between the ages of 11 and 15.—No award. Basket of Cut Flowers for Children aged 10 years and under.—No award. Table Decoration.—1, Misses Joyce and Betty Bam; 2, Mrs. H. W. Bird.

Display of Cut Flowers grown by exhibitor.—Award of Merit, Mr. R. A. Nicholson. Cyclamen.—No award. Single Daffodils.—No award. Double Daffodils.—No award. Hymenocallis.—1, Miss M. Loureiro. Narcissus (excluding Narcissus Tazetta).—No award. Group of Bulbs (excluding Narcissus Tazetta).—No award. Annuals.—1, Mr. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Mr. Ho Fook. Flowering plants.—Award of Merit, Mr. N. L. Watson. Annuals and flowering plants of any kind open to Residents of Coasts and West River Ports.—No award.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]THE POLITICAL CRISIS.
MR. LLOYD GEORGE ISSUES AN
ULTIMATUM.

LONDON, March 3rd.

There are no fresh developments of the political crisis, but it transpires that Mr. Lloyd George has requested the Unionists to reply by March 8th when, failing a satisfactory response, he will tender his resignation.

EARLIER CABLES.

THE TENSION BECOMES
ACCENTUATED.

LONDON, March 3rd.

The political tension was accentuated to-day. Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Balfour privately conferred with Sir George Younger and Mr. Malcolm Fraser, the heads of the Unionist organisation, relative to Mr. Lloyd George's communication which formally called on Mr. Chamberlain to take action to check Unionist indiscipline.

Sir George Younger explained that his attitude towards the Coalition was not personal but that it represented the feeling of local Unionist Associations, which insisted on selecting Independent Unionist candidates.

Twenty Coalition Liberal Ministers, including Mr. Churchill, attended the Premier's Savoy dinner last night, which was arranged at twenty-four hours' notice.

Mr. Lloyd George presided at a meeting of the Cabinet in the afternoon.

A meeting of Unionist Peers and Commons to-day, unanimously passed a resolution emphasising the urgency of the reassertion of Conservative and Unionist principles in order to restore confidence in the country and with a view to the approaching General Election.

LATEST CABLES.

EGYPTIAN MINISTRY.
"REALISES OUR DEAREST
WISHES."

CAIRO, March 2nd.

In charging Sarwat Pasha to form a Ministry the Sultan said:—"Britain's termination of the Protectorate realises our dearest wishes and is the result of a national effort which we have always encouraged and supported."

Sarwat Pasha pointed out the impossibility of forming a Ministry as long as Britain maintained the policy outlined in November, but the new declaration has profoundly changed the situation.

It only remained for Egypt to demonstrate that there was no need to insist on guarantees affecting the country's independence, as the good faith of Egypt and her own interests would constitute the best safeguards. The Ministry would immediately prepare for granting a constitution conforming to the principles of modern public rights and would do everything to hasten the establishment of a situation permitting of the abolition of martial law.

EARLIER CABLES.

SARWAT PASHA'S HOPEFUL
DECLARATION.

LONDON, March 2nd.

The formation of the Sarwat Pasha Cabinet in Egypt affords evidence of the good effect of the British Government's declaration of policy. Sarwat Pasha has sent a letter to the Sultan declaring that the real intentions of Britain are now clear and that the situation has completely changed. The Cabinet considers that national aspirations will be satisfied by the immediate declaration of independence and the fact that free and friendly negotiations will be held later for the discussion of guarantees.

The Cabinet will draft the Constitution, with a new electoral law providing for the establishment of ministerial responsibility.

Sarwat Pasha announces the creation of a Foreign Ministry, declares that he assumes full responsibility for the Administration, and calls upon the nation to maintain peace and concord.

LATEST CABLES.

BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.
SENATE AND THE RESTORATION
BILL.

PARIS, March 2nd.

The Senate commenced the discussion of the Banque Industrielle Restoration Bill. The Prime Minister and the Ministers of Finance and Justice were present. The Financial Committee reporter insisted that the guilty parties, if any, should promptly be brought to justice. He expressed the fear that when so many millions had been squandered some money might have remained in certain hands. The Minister of Justice undertook to accelerate inquiry.

PARIS, March 3rd.

The Foreign Affairs Committee of the Chamber has appointed a sub-committee of five to examine and report on the dossier relating to the Banque Industrielle. This is regarded as a success for the advocate's enquiry.

SENATE AND FOUR-POWER
TREATY.CONCEIVED IN SECRECY AND OF
UNKNOWN ORIGIN.

WASHINGTON, March 2nd.

In the Senate Senator Hitchcock opened the debate on the Four-Power Treaty, declaring to support the measure unless it was amended. He declared that it was conceived in secrecy and the origin of the text had not been disclosed. "We know from newspaper reports that Mr. Balfour brought over a copy, but we do not know whether his draft was accepted or whether Japan presented another."

Regarding allegations of Japanese aggression in Siberia Senator Hitchcock demanded that the United States should be guarded against involvement in hostilities brought on by such aggressions. "We are sacrificing too much to enable Britain to get rid of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance, which never greatly menaced us."

THE IRISH BILL.

DUEL BETWEEN GOVERNMENT
AND "DIEHARDS."

LONDON, March 2nd.

In the House of Commons the committee stage of the Irish Bill took the form of a duel between the Government and the "diehards." Mr. Churchill refused to accept any amendments because alteration of the text would kill the Treaty. An amendment substituting Southern Ireland for Ireland in the title of the Treaty, since Ulster was not consulted on the matter, was rejected by 254 votes to 68. A similar fate awaited a motion designed to prevent Ireland seceding from the Empire.

L.C.C. ELECTIONS.

ANOTHER SWEEPING MODERATE
VICTORY.

LONDON, March 3rd.

Though a score of results are still lacking it is already evident that the London County Council elections have resulted in a big victory for the Municipal Reformers who promised drastic economies. They have secured sixty-seven seats, the Progressives seventeen, and Labour ten.

THE KEMALIST MOVEMENT.

LONDON, March 3rd.

The Porte has decided not to grant official credentials to Yusu Kemal, according to reports from Constantinople but is sending Izet Pasha to Paris and London to negotiate on behalf of the Sultan, supporting the Kemalist programme.

OBITUARY.

PARIS, March 3rd.

The death is announced of Henri Bataille, dramatic author.

LORD CHIEF JUSTICE
RESIGNS

LONDON, March 3rd.

It is understood that Attorney-General Hewart will succeed Lord Trevelyan.

EARLIER CABLES.

LONDON, March 2nd.

Lord Trevelyan has resigned the Lord Chief Justiceship.

LATEST CABLES.

U.S. TRADE SITUATION.
MORE HOPEFUL OUTLOOK OFFSET
BY LABOUR DIFFICULTIES.

NEW YORK, March 2nd.

Reviewing the trade situation the Federal Reserve Board finds the March outlook more hopeful though it is offset by labour and other difficulties in the textile industries. Steel mills show increased activity. Buying in both wholesale and retail trades showed a falling-off in February. There is little change in the employment situation. The silk market is unsatisfactory owing to a speculative rise in the price of the raw material in the Japanese markets.

U.S. POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

WASHINGTON, March 2nd.

Mr. Work succeeds Mr. Rays as Postmaster-General.

SMYRNA A SECOND FIUME.

LONDON, March 3rd.

It is reported from Smyrna that a project is gathering strength to make Smyrna a second Fiume with General Papoulas as a D'Annunzio.

DUTCH LOAN.

AMSTERDAM, March 3rd.

The Government six per cent. loan of seventy-five million guilders is being issued on March 6th at ninety-six.

EARLIER CABLES.

SEARCH FOR INSURANCE
CO. DIRECTOR.

NAPLES, March 2nd.

The report of the arrest of Bevan, Chairman of the City Equitable Insurance Co., is inaccurate. Bevan has disappeared since he visited the British Consulate to obtain a visa to his passport. The Vice-Consul confiscated the passport, but omitted to have Bevan shadowed. The police throughout Italy are actively searching for Bevan whose photograph has been circulated broadcast.

THE NEAR EAST.

BOTH GREEKS AND TURKS
ACTIVE.

ROME, March 2nd.

A message from Constantinople states that both the Greeks and the Turks in Asia Minor are showing the greatest military activity, evidently with a view to the resumption of hostilities. Turkish reconnaissance in the Nadi district were repulsed. Troops and materials are arriving at Smyrna from Greece.

LYONS RAILWAY COMPANY'S
BONDS.

PARIS, March 1st.

The papers are commenting with the utmost satisfaction on the fact that the Lyons Railway Company's bonds issue on the London market was covered ten times over as heralding a lasting recovery of French exchange and a great stride towards restoring normal business conditions. British financiers and investors realizing the unexcelled soundness of French credit, notwithstanding occasional jolts in recovering the balance upset by the war.—Havas.

FRENCH AERIAL SERVICE.

GROWING POPULARITY OF THE
SYSTEM.

PARIS, March 1st.

The French aerial navigation system is increasing steadily in scope and popularity. Over ten thousand passengers have availed themselves of the French aerial lines, in 1921 against 1,700 in 1920.—Havas.

NAVAL YACHTS TO BE
SOLD.

LONDON, March 2nd.

In the House of Commons, Colonel Amery announced that in the interests of economy the Commander-in-Chief's yacht Surprise and Alacrity would be paid off and disposed of as soon as practicable.

SHAH OF PERSIA ON THE
RIVIERA.

PARIS, March 1st.

The Persian Shah has settled down on the French Riviera for a sojourn of considerable duration.—Havas.

AFGHAN MISSION IN PARIS.

PARIS, March 1st.

The Afghan Mission has arrived in Paris.—Havas.

RUSSIAN STANDING ARMY.

LONDON, March 2nd.

In the House of Commons, at question time, Mr. Harcourt said the Government understood that the Russian standing army on January 1st totalled 1,500,000.

SOUTH AFRICAN DISPUTE.

LARGE NUMBER OF STRIKERS
RESUME.

JOHANNESBURG, March 2nd.

The Reef is much quieter. The number of strikers who have resumed has largely increased.

THE PRINCE IN KASHMIR.
A LAMA DANCE BY TORCHLIGHT.

SATWARI, March 2nd.

The Prince of Wales arrived at Satwari this morning on a short visit to the Maharaja of Jammu and Kashmir. The original intention to visit the former city was abandoned in consequence of a small outbreak of plague. The Royal camp was pitched seven miles away, under the shadow of the grand snow-capped Pir Panjal range.

His Royal Highness was met on arrival by Sir Pratap Singh, members of his family, and officers of State. The customary formal visits were paid and returned in full Dunbar splendour in the great Shamiana, hung around within a priceless collection of Kashmir shawls.

The distribution of sweetmeats to schoolboys and alms to the poor much enhanced the popularity of the Prince's visit.

His Royal Highness played polo in the afternoon and attended a State banquet in the evening, after which he witnessed a very weird and picturesque Lama dance by torchlight, followed by grand illuminations and fireworks.

FRANCE AND GREECE.

RESTORATION OF ESPOIR'S CARGO
DEMANDED.

LONDON, March 2nd.

The French Minister at Athens has informed M. Gounaris that France insists on immediate restoration of the *Esperanza's* cargo.

PEERESSES MAY SIT IN
UPPER HOUSE.

LONDON, March 2nd.

The House of Lords Committee has decided that peeresses in their own right are entitled to sit in the Upper House. Twenty-four women are affected by the decision.

REPARATIONS QUESTION.
DISCUSSION BY EXPERTS IN
PARIS.

LONDON, March 2nd.

Mr. Robert Horne, accompanied by experts, is to journey to Paris, on March 8th, to discuss reparations with the French Minister of Finance.

WINTER ASCENT OF MT.
FUJI.

DARING BRITISH FEAT.

AIRMEN'S CLIMB TO THE SUMMIT IN
FORTY-EIGHT HOURS.

A feat that must certainly rank as one of the hardest ever accomplished in Japan or for the matter anywhere else in the world, says Reuter's Tokyo correspondent, is an ascent of Mt. Fuji in the middle of winter. This was recently achieved by two members of the British Air Mission now engaged in training Japanese naval aviators at the Kasumigaura aerodrome, in Ibaraki prefecture.

The two climbers, who may certainly claim to have established a new mountain record in Japan, were Lieutenant Commander T. Orde Lees, and Mr. H. Crisp. Lieutenant Commander Orde Lees is the well-known parachute expert, with a record of parachute drops from aeroplanes to his name, and a mountain climber, with considerable experience in the Alps. He was also a member of the late Sir Ernest Shackleton's Antarctic expedition of 1914-16 when he had charge of the motor sledges.

Both he and Mr. Crisp were in the *Daily Mail* Handley-Page machine when it crashed at Carlisle while on its way with copies of the *Daily Mail* for delivery in Scotland.

Their great climb was made on the 11th, 12th and the early morning of the 13th of February, the journey up and down the mountain, including rests occupying exactly forty-eight hours. The climbers started from Gotemba, without guides, coolies, or horses, but had the assistance of two personal friends, Messrs. Adams and Larwaker, who helped them to haul their equipment packed on a small sledge (made from a crashed aeroplane) as far as a hut, 4,700 feet up where the first night was spent. All through that a violent storm raged, but a start could be made the next day, and the summit was reached at 7 p.m. on the twelfth. At a height of 10,000 feet the climbers "cached" their entire equipment, cameras, spare clothing, thermos flasks, snowshoes, and all their food. They then made the top of the mountain, (travelling as light as possible).

Unfortunately the descent was made in a dense fog, and the travellers were unable to locate their "cache" owing to the fog and the darkness, and they had to return without any of their property.

In spite, however, of going without food for twelve hours, they say they arrived at Gotemba in splendid condition. Discussing the trip, the mountaineers said the cold on the summit at night was not severe. The snow extended as far down as the 2,000 foot line. The last 4,000 feet of the climb was over solid ice and took them nine hours to accomplish. A recording barograph was carried throughout the expedition, and affords indisputable proof of their feat.

Commander Orde Lees further stated that he and Mr. Crisp are going to repeat the climb almost immediately in order to recover their lost property.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

The thirty-eighth ordinary meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd. was held at the offices of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., yesterday morning. Mr. R. G. Shewan presided and there were present Messrs. H. P. White and P. A. Cox (Consulting Committee), Messrs. H. H. Taylor, F. Ellis, M. S. Northcote, W. Adamson, J. Toppin, Pon I Che, A. A. Cordeiro, W. J. Hawker (shareholders), and F. J. Tavares (Secretary).

The CHAIRMAN said:—"The accounts for 1921 now before you, which have been in your hands for some time past, show a slight improvement as regards sales of Rope, the demand for which was very much the same as in the previous year, a little better perhaps, but this was offset by the increased competition of lower grades in the market. As for the coming year exchange seems to be falling and that is a good factor in our favour."

But our earnings for the year under review have been increased by a large profit on the sale of some of our securities. We are as you know contemplating utilizing a spare portion of the factory site, at present lying idle, by building Chinese dwelling houses and so increasing our revenue. We estimate that to do this we require some \$130,000 and to obtain this money we sold out half our holding of Green Island Cement Co.'s shares which realised \$127,243.70 and left a hand-some profit which has gone to the credit of profit and loss account. This has brought up the balance at credit of profit and loss to \$225,321.44 which plus \$3,948.93 brought forward and less \$60,000 for interim dividend leaves \$269,270.37 for division. We recommend that this amount should be allocated as follows:—

To place to reserve fund	\$ 5,000.00
To equalisation of dividend	50,000.00
To bonus to staff	4,034.93
To bonus to Mr. C. Klink on retirement	15,000.00
To pay a final dividend of \$1 per share	60,000.00
To pay a bonus of \$1 per share	80,000.00
and carry forward	11,156.74
	\$265,271.37

As I said last year we do not need a large reserve fund and think it wiser to lay by for a rainy day by building up the equalisation of dividend account. The bonus to staff comes to about 10 per cent. on their salaries and I do not think will be begrudged by you."

Mr. Klink has had the management of the factory in his hands for some 35 years and is now retiring after this long and faithful service. The Company owes him much, much more than what the bonus we now suggest represents, and we cannot too strongly recommend this recognition of his work and the conscientious attention he has always devoted to your interests.

You will notice that we have \$250,000 on fixed deposit besides our working capital and some shareholders may, therefore, feel that we might have paid a larger bonus but the reason we do not recommend this is that, after paying the dividend and bonus proposed, and providing for the other allocations including the transfer to equalisation of dividend account, there will only remain some \$68,000 available for our building operations which as I have said will require about double that amount before they are finished.

The alterations in our Memorandum of Association which were passed and confirmed at extraordinary meetings held on 14th and 21st December last have now been approved by the Court so we shall proceed at once with the settlement of tenders for the construction of the Chinese houses I have already referred to. I now propose that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and passed and that the profits be divided as proposed and after that has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer questions from shareholders.

Mr. P. A. Cox seconded, and the motion was carried.

Mr. Northcote proposed and Mr. Taylor seconded the re-election of the Hon. Mr. A. L. Lang, Mr. P. A. Cox and Mr. H. P. White as Consulting Committee.

This was approved.

Mr. Ellis proposed the re-election of Messrs. Linstead and Davies, and Percy Smith, Selth and Fleming as auditors at a remuneration of \$350 each. Mr. Cordeiro seconded and the motion was carried.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE
COMPANY, LTD.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., was held at the Hongkong Hotel, yesterday morning, to consider the following resolution:—

1.—That Article 105 of this Company's Articles of Association be altered as follows:—

(a) By the insertion of "\$10,000" in the place of "\$3,000" in the fifth line thereof.

(b) By striking out in the ninth and tenth lines thereof the words "for each financial year of the Company" and inserting in place thereof the words "in every year wherein such profits shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of \$150,000, and a commission of ten per cent. per annum on all the net profits of the Company in excess of that sum."

2.—That the above resolution (No. 1) to be retrospective and take effect from January 1st, 1922.

Mr. H. HUMPHREYS presided and there were present:—Rev. Fr. Robert, Messrs. J. M. Alves, W. L. Patterson (Directors), G. Rapp (Secretary), Messrs. M. S. Northcote, W. Morley, F. M. Ellis, J. D. Humphreys, D. E. Clark and F. W. Stapleton (shareholders).

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CHINESE LOAN TO REDEEM
SHORT-TERM LOANS.

A Presidential mandate, dated February 11th, announced the issue of bonds to the amount of \$98,000,000 for the redemption of various domestic and foreign short-term loans. The following are the foreign loans concerned:—

Name.	Amount Outstanding.
Vickers (China), Limited (on year's interest on treasury bill)	\$1,200,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corp. (Kiangnan Dock Yards' treasury bills)	50,000
Banque des Pays Bas, Paris (funds for students studying in France)	Fr. 500,000
Japanese Industrial Bank (Interest Advances)	3,467,500
Ten Other Banks (Principal and Interest on Treasury Bills of Flood Relief Loan)	Yen 6,908,087.87
Exchange Bank of China (Interest Advances)	3,467,500
Sino-Japanese Development Co.* (Interest Advances)	800,000
Sino-Japanese Development Co.* (Capital Advances)	800,000
Okura Company (Loan to Ministry of Finance)	1,260,000
Okura Company (Advance for Promissory Notes of Commercial Guarantee Bank)	2,457,134.75
Bank of Chosen (Principal and Interest on Treasury Bills of Funds for Students Studying in Japan)	789,349.69
Japanese Industrial Bank* (Principal and Interest on Treasury Bills)	5,171,793
Russo-Asiatic Bank* (Loan to Ministry of Education)	300,000
Russo-Asiatic Bank* (Loan to Board of Audit)	300,000
Ke-Ah Company (Loan to Ministry of Finance)	800,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corp. (Treasury Bills for Imperial Family)	\$1,289,000
Russo-Asiatic Bank* (Funds for Students studying in France Debt)	100,000
Russo-Asiatic Bank* (Funds for Students studying in France Debt)	\$23,798.83
Banque de l'Indo-Chine* (Loan to Ministry of Finance)	25,000
Russo-Asiatic Bank* (Loan to Ministry of Finance)	30,250
Exchange Bank of China (Interest on Kirin Forestry and Mining Loan)	Yen 1,152,508.58
Russo-Asiatic Bank* (Loan to Ministry of Finance)	30,000
Russo-Asiatic Bank* (Loan to Ministry of Finance)	100,000
Banque de l'Indo-Chine* (Tientsin-Tungshien Road Loan)	100,000
Russo-Asiatic Bank* (Promissory Notes of Commercial Guarantee Bank)	Tientsin Tls. 99,856.25
Sino-Japanese Development Co. (Cotton Mill Loan)	Yen 3,647,453.09
Sino-Japanese Development Co. (Paper Mill Loan)	2,310,828.55

(Note:—The interest on the Flood Relief, Interest Advances, and Students' Loan Treasury Bills held by the Japanese Industrial Bank and the Bank of Chosen, amounting to more than \$2,000,000 should be deducted at the time they are repaid with the new bonds. The foreign short-term debts repaid out of the Salt Surplus in December 1921 and January 1922 are much more than \$1,000,000 (say about \$1,500,000), which should also be deducted. Therefore, the foreign short-term debts, after making the necessary deductions, will actually amount to about \$28,000,000. The Banque Industrielle de Chine Bills amounting to \$2,000,000 will be included with the above loans after the restitution of the Bank.)

*The items marked with asterisks were originally secured on Salt Surplus.

There are something like 120 Chinese domestic loans in the list. Many of these are for sums of less than a quarter of a million dollars, and the highest is for \$2,750,000. The grand total of all the loans marked for redemption is \$104,001,532.90, but it is mentioned that several of the Chinese loans in the list may be withdrawn in order to keep the aggregate within the amount of the bond issue.

EIGHT-HOUR DAY ON SCOTTISH
RAILWAYS.

The National Wages Board has tactfully handled the thorny problem of the Scottish Railways dispute, in which the employers sought to abandon the principle of an eight-hour day, thereby arousing the suspicion of Labourites throughout the country that an attempt was being made to introduce the thin end of the wedge with a view to the subsequent general abandonment of that principle. The Board framed a compromise, upholding the eight-hour day, except a small category as wayside stations, and stipulated the agreement was not to be regarded as a precedent for the abandonment of the principle elsewhere.

The CHAIRMAN said:—"This meeting has been called to give effect to certain suggestions put forward by Mr. Northcote at the last annual meeting. I may say the Directors unanimously approved of the suggestions and it is up to you either to approve or reject them. Before putting the resolutions I shall be pleased to answer any questions shareholders may ask. There were no questions and the CHAIRMAN proposed the resolutions, which were seconded by Mr. Northcote and carried. This concluded the business."

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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

March 3rd.
Easton Maru, Japanese str., 2,491 tons,
 from Moji, with a general cargo.
Nanyo Yusen Kaisha.

SHIPPING NOTES.

March 3rd.
Easton Maru, for Tokyo.
Dei Arrow, for Manila.
Kaifong, for Hainan.
Kengsten, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

DEPARTURES.
 For P. & O. s.s. *Dunera*: Mr. Stout,
 Capt. W. J. Hurry, Mr. M. A. Murray,
 Mr. Weiberg, Mr. and Mrs. V. P. M.
 de Souza, Mr. and Mrs. H. Harnisch-
 feger, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Stevens, Mr.
 and Mrs. Caristo, Mr. Bridal, Mr.
 Mehrbach.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The B.L.s.s. *Gregory Ahear* left Singa-
 pore on March 3rd, and is expected to
 arrive at Hongkong on March 8th.
 The P. & O. s.s. *Walla* left Bombay on
 March 1st, and is expected to arrive at
 Hongkong on March 18th.
 The P. & O. s.s. *Novara* is expected
 to leave Singapore for Hongkong on
 March 8th.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Anchises (Blue Funnel), due March 14th.
Bolton Castle (Doddwell & Co.), due
 beginning of March.
Empire State (Pacific Mail), due March
 9th.
Gregory Ahear (B.L.), due March 8th.
Hakone Maru (N.Y.K.), due March 30th.
Kalyan (P. & O.), due March 25th.
Kendal Castle (Doddwell & Co.), due
 early in April.
Mentor (Blue Funnel), due March 4th.
Walla (N.Y.K.), due March 30th.
Novara (P. & O.), due March 11th.
Pathan (Doddwell & Co.), due beginning
 of March.
Zheus (Blue Funnel), due March 14th.
Sicilia (P. & O.), due March 17th.
Teirestas (Blue Funnel), due March 22nd.
Torila (B.L.), due March 15th.
Trotius (Blue Funnel), due March 17th.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The Chinese Maritime Customs has
 notified shipmasters that s.s. *Nichiren*
Maru lies wrecked on the Hainan Head
 Bank in a position from which the 160-
 foot hill of Hainan Head bears S. 45deg.
 W., magnetic, distant about 1.6 miles.
 The latest report is that the masts of the
 wreck are showing above water. The
 wreck lies clear of the fairway for ships,
 but the position given above should be
 regarded as "Position doubtful."

C.P.S. "E. CANADA" AND "E. AUSTRALIA"

Advices have been received by the
 Hongkong Office of the Canadian Pacific
 Steamships, Limited, from their Head
 Office, Montreal, to the effect that the
Empress of Canada will direct for
 Hongkong and will leave on her maiden
 voyage across the Pacific for Vancouver,
 B.C., via Usual Ports, from Hongkong
 on May 4th next.
 The *Empress of Australia* will also sail
 on her maiden voyage from this Port,
 leaving on July 27th.

WEATHER REPORT.

March 3rd at 12.25.—Pressure has
 decreased considerably from Shanghai to
 Tientsin, the anticyclone having moved
 eastward and a depression having formed
 over China. A depression is also shown
 between Haiphong and Tientsin.
 Fog may be expected along the coast
 of China.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours
 ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inch. Total
 since January 1st, 8.15 inches, against an
 average of 2.29 inches.
 The forecast for the 24 hours ending at
 noon to-day is as follows:—
 District Forecast
 N.E. winds, moder-
 ate, overcast,
 rain, fog.

Hongkong to Gap Hook

Formosa Channel — The same as
 South coast of China between (The same as
 Hongkong and Lamook) No. 1.
 South coast of China between (The same as
 Hongkong and Hainan) No. 1.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, March 3rd

	Previous Day	On Date	On Date
	Day	at 2 p.m.	at 3 p.m.
Barometer	29.97	29.91	29.81
Temperature	58	60	64
Humidity	52	93	91
Wind Direction	E	E	E
Force	4	3	0
Weather	0	0	0
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature on 2nd ... 60
 Lowest open-air Temperature on 3rd ... 60

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 3rd to 9th March, 1932.

Days of Week	Days of Month	High Water		Low Water	
		Time	Height	Time	Height
Satur	4	0 20	5 2	6 23	2 5
Sun	5	1 17	4 7	6 55	2 8
Mon	6	2 2	3 2	8 12	2 6
Tues	7	2 24	3 2	9 46	2 5
Wed	8	3 20	4 0	11 31	3 2
Thurs	9	4 39	4 3	0 23	1 6
Fri	10	5 45	4 7	1 19	1 3
	11	7 21	4 4	1 20	1 3
	12	8 48	7 0	0 25	3 0

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NEW YORK via PANAMA	Mayabashi Maru	Jap	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On End of Mar.
NEW YORK or Boston via SUEZ CANAL	Dodwell & Co. Ltd.	Brit	Dodwell & Co. Ltd.	About 3rd Mar.
SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	Korea Maru	Jap	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 13th Mar.
SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	Pera Maru	Jap	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 31st Mar.
SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	Empire State	Am.	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	On 13th Mar.
SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	Empire State	Am.	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	On 13th Mar.
SEATTLE & VICTORIA via SHANGHAI, J. Form, &c.	Empire State	Am.	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	On 13th Mar.
VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, SEATTLE & TACOMA	Hawaii Maru	Jap	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	On 24th Mar. at 11 a.m.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE & VANCOUVER	Talchigins	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 14th Mar.
MARSEILLES & LONDON via SUEZ, PANAMA, &c.	Dunear	Brit	P. & O. S. S. Co.	On 3rd Mar.
MARSEILLES & LONDON via SUEZ, PANAMA, &c.	Armand Behio	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	About 6th Mar.
LONDON & ANTWERP via SUEZ, PANAMA, &c.	Kamo Maru	Jap	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 17th Mar. at 11 a.m.
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
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BOMBAY & COLOMBO	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
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SINGAPORE & BELAWAN-DELI	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
SEARATH, CALCUTTA & TAMPAR	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
SANTAN	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
SEARATH	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
JAPAN	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
NAGASAKI, KORE & YOKOHAMA	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
BANGKOK	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
SHANGHAI, KORE & YOKOHAMA	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
SHANGHAI, KORE & YOKOHAMA	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
SHANGHAI	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
MANILA	Pyrrhus	Brit	Butterfield & Swire	On 7th Mar.
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ENCOUNTER WITH STRIKERS AT SHATIN.

HALF A DOZEN POLICE AND SOLDIERS HOLD 2,000 AT BAY.

CROWD FIRED UPON: 3 KILLED AND 8 WOUNDED.

The migration of strikers to Canton, in defiance of Government orders, has culminated in bloodshed. In the early hours of yesterday morning, a crowd of 2,000 strikers, marching to Canton, was intercepted at the Kowloon Water Works by two police sergeants who ordered them back. The men refused and pressed forward. One of the sergeants returned to Sam Shui Po and four soldiers and about the same number of police went out to head off the mob. The strikers were repeatedly ordered to turn back; they were argued with for two hours and then, a single shot into the ground having no effect in deterring them, a few rounds were fired. Three of the strikers were killed, and eight wounded. Many of the strikers dispersed in panic down the embankment and later the whole body of them returned to Hongkong.

THE ENCOUNTER DESCRIBED.

THE MARCH FROM YAUMATEI.

During the whole of the previous night the police had been watching certain mass movements of the strikers in the Yaumatei district. These movements concentrated at the Po Hing theatre, Yaumatei, where something like two thousand assembled, for the purpose of marching to the frontier, a distance of twenty-odd miles, or, if necessary, to Canton, a distance of over a hundred miles. At five o'clock in the morning they moved off quietly, hoping to take the police completely by surprise.

INTERCEPTED AT KOWLOON WATERWORKS.

All went well until the Gap just above the Kowloon Waterworks was reached, when the crowd was stopped by two police-sergeants patrolling the road on a motor-cycle and sidecar. The strikers were asked to return to their homes. They said they had no homes and that they could not get any "chow" in Hongkong. They were going to Canton where, they said, there was plenty to eat and plenty of money. The Sergeants remonstrated, and, as an excuse for holding up the strikers, pending the arrival of reinforcements, told the strikers that, if they cared to wait, permits for them to proceed would probably be issued later. This served to hold them for a little while, but within another half hour the crowd became restive and from this stage tried to take matters in their own hands. They rushed the two police officers, who did their best to hold the Gap, but the crowd was too great and they forced the passage. One of the sergeants rushed off on the cycle for assistance whilst the other kept in touch with the crowd. At Sam Shui Po Police Station the Sub-Inspector rounded up a few Indian police and proceeded to the scene on foot. The Assistant Superintendent of Police at the Water Police Station (Mr. T. H. King) who had been out all night watching developments was communicated with and he motored out to the spot accompanied by an Officer and four Indian soldiers. They came in touch with the strikers on the Shatin side of the Waterworks. Mr. King at once took charge of the situation and ordered the crowd to return to Kowloon. They again refused, and one or two of the more truculent tried to argue the matter out. They repeated what they had told the Sergeant, and added that if they had to die they were quite prepared to do so there rather than starve in Hongkong. Loath to use force, Mr. King again and again tried to reason with the determined men.

A WARNING SHOT FOLLOWED BY A VOLLEY.

A shot was fired into the ground to show that rifles were loaded, but this did not deter them. They still advanced and the handful of military and police retreated slowly before them, whilst Mr. King explained to the crowd that he would be compelled to give the order to fire if they did not turn back. Still they disregarded the warnings and surged onward, and at the top of the hill the order to fire was given, resulting in the eleven casualties stated above. This was at 8.45 a.m. A panic ensued and hundreds of the Chinese slipped down the embankment into hiding, but a few continued to show a truculent disposition. The crowd did not feel disposed to move off and calmly awaited down by the roadside to await further developments. Mr. King, fearing further trouble, sent for reinforcements and for an ambulance to be sent out from the Kowloon Fire Station. He also sent in a request for a Magistrate, presumably for the purpose of reading a Riot Act, if necessary.

MILITARY REINFORCEMENTS FROM KOWLOON.

In response to these requests a company of the Grenadiers (Indians) was sent out to cope with the situation, the Kowloon motor-buses being commandeered to convey the troops to the spot. Mr. Smalley, of the Government Medical Department, on the Peak: Why not one for Kowloon?

and Mr. Lindell, the Second Magistrate, accompanied the troops. The reinforcements arrived on the scene shortly after 10 o'clock. The bulk of the crowd still remained, though from Sam Shui Po onwards several hundreds of the men were observed straggling back in small batches.

ATTENDING TO THE CASUALTIES.

In the meantime, first aid had been rendered to the wounded by the police and the unfortunate men were made as comfortable as possible. The more lightly wounded were collected and despatched by one of the buses to the Kwong Wah Hospital. The two serious cases were specially treated on the spot by Dr. Smalley and then removed to hospital by ambulance. The bodies of the three dead men were removed to the mortuary.

THE CROWD RETURNS QUIETLY TO YAUMATEI.

Directly the ambulance moved off the crowd rose in a mass and quietly turned back for Yaumatei.

Reinforcements which were still continuing to arrive were left on patrol duty.

On the instructions of the Captain-Superintendent of Police (Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe) who arrived on the scene about 10.15, the section of road from the Kowloon Waterworks to Shatin was declared closed, and for the time being only persons having a permit will be allowed to travel along this section of the road.

WHAT IS THE GOVERNMENT DOING?

This is a question which is being asked in many quarters. The Government has issued a statement concerning the arrangements that are being made to maintain essential services, but it is felt that there is need for prompt action. There are important details which appear to have been overlooked so far, and for the Government's information we append a few:

(1)—Workers complain of inadequate protection. They are protected during the day, while working, but are left as the prey of agitators each night. Why not commandeer some suitable place for coolies to sleep at night, under police protection? Why, it is asked, was it not done from the very commencement?

(2)—Measures for the adequate supply of rice for workers are most urgent and of tremendous importance.

(3)—What steps are being taken to curb out undesirable? Closing the frontier is necessary to prevent essential workers leaving the Colony, but the Colony would be well rid of the undesirable.

(4)—Propaganda. Is it not highly desirable that the Government should make widely known in detail what it is doing in order to assure the Chinese that they need not fear molestation? What has been done so far is manifestly inadequate. What steps are being taken to organise the intellectual Chinese—the University and old College boys—the Chinese Y.M.C.A. and the Athletic Clubs? The advertisement for volunteers of any race but Chinese, it is argued, makes it expect from the intellectual Chinese great assistance in this matter if they are properly organised for propaganda purposes and fully informed of what is being done, while the information of what is needed to be done that they would be able to acquire should prove of great assistance to the Government.

(5)—Another thing that is urgently needed is a food depot at Kowloon for the convenience of the European residents on the peninsula. Probably the Government does not realise that it is costing a ticket for the ferry as much as 40 or 50 cents to procure a lb. of bread. What is wanted is a depot in some central part of Kowloon—the Police pier, if no more convenient place is possible—where the European residents of Kowloon could buy, at least their daily quantum of bread and milk. Arrangements have been made for a depot on the Peak: Why not one for Kowloon?

BUYING BREAD AND MEAT.

The bakeries seem to be experiencing great difficulties in meeting the demand for bread, although the rule is a pound of bread only to each applicant, cash down, and as Europeans generally are without servants, the queues at the bakeries are comprised almost entirely of Europeans. There were many hours during the day yesterday when no bread was procurable, as each issue from the ovens is promptly "sold out." Wiseman's had sold out yesterday morning and no further supplies were available until this morning.

The Dairy Farm depot at the top of Lee House Street was amply stocked with meat, yesterday, and was besieged by Europeans who are required to pay cash down as the Chinese book-keeping staff have joined the idle crowd. The situation has its humour. One of Hongkong's most distinguished citizens was an applicant, by deputy, yesterday, for meat. "But it's down to —" said the magistrate's deputy. "Can't be done," firmly said the man in charge, and before the meat was released the deputy had to borrow a few dollars in order that a distinguished resident should not go without his dinner.

Incidentally, we learn, there was loud complaint among the Dairy Farm staff about the authorities commandeering a European employee of the Dairy Farm to cut up meat for the Chinese and the butcher himself threatened to go on strike against the order. "It is their strike," he then said for themselves, were the sentiments expressed.

DELEGATES ARRIVE FROM CANTON.

The seamen's delegates came down from Canton last night, accompanied by members of the Canton Chinese Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Foreign Affairs Secretariat. They were met by Mr. A. E. Wood, of the Chinese Secretariat. Arrangements have been made for them to meet the shipowners in conference to-day.

Yesterday morning there was a full meeting of shipowners at the City Hall, attended by the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax. A special committee vested with full powers to act on behalf of the owners was appointed to meet the delegates.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

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Owing to the strike the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., Ltd., advises that messages can be accepted only on the following conditions. Between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Government, Press and urgent cables will be accepted. Between 5 p.m. and 8 a.m. only Government cables will be accepted. All telegrams must be called for as the Company is unable to effect delivery.

OFFERS OF SERVICE.

Over 350 men responded, yesterday morning, to the Government's invitation to able-bodied men of nationalities other than Chinese to register themselves for public service. Some had special qualifications but the majority signed as willing to set their hand to any job they might be given. The bureau will be open each day at the City Hall, from 11 to one o'clock.

The police have received many offers of motor vehicles. Yesterday morning the police compound was crowded with motor cars, motor cycles and motor lorries, most of them driven by their European owners. Some were driven by Indians and Northern Chinese.

Motor drivers were enrolled as special constables and arrangements were made for day and night motor cycle patrols on the island and mainland, motor cars too performing additional patrol duties.

The police announce that persons in difficulty over transport should apply to the Central Police Station. If the load warrants it, a motor lorry will be made available under police protection.

THE SEAMEN'S DELEGATES.

"COMING WITH FULL POWERS TO SETTLE."

The Canton Times of yesterday says:—"After receiving information from the British Consulate that a telegram had been received from Hongkong stating that the Shipowners were willing to meet the Seamen's delegates provided they are assured that the delegates have full power to negotiate a settlement, Commissioner Frank W. Lee called the officers of the Seamen's Union into conference and urged them to appoint delegates and give them proper credentials and powers to negotiate all outstanding questions directly with the Shipowners. Mr. Wallis of the British Consulate, who then gave an assurance that the Seamen's delegates would leave for Hongkong to-day on the three o'clock train. They are going down very hopeful for a settlement and absolutely free to discuss every question. They are not bound in any way, nor have they had their hands tied by any fixed demands."

"Yesterday morning the Seamen's representatives had a conference with representatives of the Chinese Merchants Federated Association of Kwangtung at the office of the Salt Commissioner. It was then agreed to have the Merchants assist in arranging a settlement. Now that the Seamen are prepared to negotiate direct with the Shipowners there will be little need for mediation. However, some of the merchants desire to go down and talk matters over with the Chinese shipowners."

(Continued at foot of next column.)

THE PRAYA TRAGEDY.

ACCUSED COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Most of the evidence was of a formal character when the magisterial investigation was completed, yesterday, into the tragedy, last Friday on the Praya, in which Messrs. Jack A. Tai's assistant manager was shot dead. The accused, Leung Woo, was committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

Leung Sui Shing, elder brother of the deceased (a sister in the Naval Dockyard) and Leung Ping Shing, another brother, gave evidence of identification and Lance-Sergeant Rozesky spoke to removing the body of the deceased to hospital by ambulance.

Wong Fap Kong, Chinese constable 339, said that on February 24th he was on duty in Des Vaux Road at the point where the tramway curves round the City Hall when he saw a man running and two women after him. He joined in the chase and saw the prisoner in Queen's Road, being held down by three or four people.

Lance-Sergeant S. Gough, A48, who attended in the case, said he is doing special strike duty at the abattoirs, spoke to receiving a revolver and cartridges from Mr. A. H. Barlow of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

Mr. Vicente Antonio Yvanovich, broker, No. 23, Queen's Buildings, 2nd floor, described how he helped to arrest the prisoner. He said the man's two wrists, pressed him down and sat on him.

This witness had to admit that he omitted the precaution of looking at the man carefully, afterwards, he could not identify him now.

Police-Inspector John Grant described how at about 12.30 p.m. on February 24th, he found a chip of valsalite from the revolver butt in the Bank Garden. Near it he noticed a chip in a concrete path, filled with black dust, and suggested that the revolver may have rebounded from that spot.

Mr. A. H. Barlow, manager of the Hongkong office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, said he received the revolver from Mr. Ho Cheuk, and Mr. Ho Cheuk, assistant comptroller of the Bank, said the weapon was pointed out to him by a ricksha coolie and he gave it to Mr. Barlow.

Mr. G. W. Avenell, armourer-sergeant to the Volunteer Defence Corps and the Police Force, gave technical evidence as to the revolver.

This completed the case for the Crown and the prisoner was then committed for trial.

COMPANY REPORT.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

Subject to confirmation by shareholders the profits for the year ending October 31st, 1931, amounting to \$211,600.67 Together with the amount carried forward from 1930..... 21,530.68

Totalling \$232,831.65

will be allocated as follows:—
To pay a dividend of 10 per cent, which will absorb \$23,283.16
Place to reserve fund 25,000.00
Write off building improvements, furniture, fittings and utensils of trade 25,000.00
Write off acrated and other plant and machinery 25,000.00
Write off launch, lighter, motor junks, and motor lorries 5,000.00
Pay to staff provident fund 5,000.00
And carry forward to next account 57,831.65

TOTAL \$232,831.65

EXCHANGE.

AVERAGES FOR FEBRUARY.

Mr. C. A. de Roza in his monthly exchange circular gives the following summary for the month of February:—

	Subs.	Rate	Subs.	Rate	Subs.	Rate
Average Rate Feb. (1932) (Approx.)	2/5 1/2	113 1/2	54 1/2	6.25		
Highest Rate Feb. (1932)	2/5 1/2	113 1/2	54 1/2	6.70		
Lowest Rate Feb. (1932)	2/5 1/2	113 1/2	54 1/2	5.75		
Average Rate to date (1932) (Approx.)	2/7 1/2	104 1/2	54 1/2	6.81		
Highest	2/7 1/2	113 1/2	54 1/2	7.05		
Lowest	2/5 1/2	113 1/2	54 1/2	5.75		
YEARLY AVERAGES.						
Average 1919	3/0 1/2	104 1/2	54 1/2	6.00		
Average 1920	4/3 1/2	108 1/2	70 1/2	11.34		
Average 1921	2/1 1/2	104 1/2	54 1/2	6.81		

Dr. J. W. Jamieson, the British Consul General, is now in Hongkong and has been informed of the result of the conference yesterday. It is the desire of Dr. Jamieson and the Canton Government to preserve good relations between Canton and Hongkong and to remove, as soon as possible, prohibitions and restrictions that cause inconvenience to both Canton and Hongkong.

A telegram has been received from Hongkong stating that the Shipowners are willing to meet the Seamen's delegates provided they are assured that the delegates have full power to negotiate for a settlement.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE

MEMBERS and Subscribers of the U.S.R.C. are hereby informed that the Dance on 4th March will not be held owing to the Strike. [539]

A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED.

NOTICE

OWING to the strike of employees, in all departments, delivery of goods cannot be made. Customers will kindly call and take delivery of their requirements. A. S. WATSON AND CO. LTD. [539]

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

NOTICE

THE intended visit of the Rugby Football Team of the Hongkong Football Club to play the Shanghai Rugby Football Club has had to be cancelled owing to the present Strike Situation. H. C. MACNAMARA, Hon. Secretary. [539]

NOTICE

MEMBERS of the Cadet Corps and Boy Scouts are required to parade at the Seamen's Institute at 11 a.m. on SATURDAY, the 4th March. The Cadet Corps and Boy Scouts are being asked to supply volunteers for work in offices, hospitals, and elsewhere. Any person desirous of availing himself of their services should communicate with the Rev. G. T. Walbridge at the Seamen's Institute, Telephone 2874, between Noon and 1 p.m. on the 4th March or subsequent days. Peak residents are reminded that both scavenging and night-soil coolies go from house to house, nightly. Care should be taken that their work is not obstructed in any way.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH CO. HONGKONG STATION

NOTICE

OWING to the abnormal conditions prevailing telegrams will have to be called for, as we are unable to effect delivery. T. KRING, Superintendent. Hongkong, 4th March, 1932.

A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirty-seventh Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on Tuesday, the 14th March, 1932 at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st Oct. 1931. The Registrar of Companies of the Company will be closed from Thursday, the ninth day of March to Thursday, the sixteenth day of March, 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 3rd March, 1932. [539]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

M. S. MEINAM

CONSIGNEES of cargo for Hongkong from Europe per above steamer are hereby notified that owing to the strike of Chinese seamen and cargo coolies, the said steamer is not calling at Hongkong. Cargo for this port will be carried on and will be returned when conditions here become normal again. Consignees are therefore recommended to make their own arrangements as to insurance, etc.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES. Hongkong, 3rd March, 1932. [539]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

M. S. ARMAND BEHIC

FOLLOWING our advertisement from the 3rd to 5th ultimo, Consignees of cargo for Hongkong ex the above steamer are hereby notified that as the strike is still on, the cargo has been landed at Shanghai at their risks and expenses. The cargo will be returned to Hongkong immediately conditions at this port become normal. Consignees are therefore recommended to make their own arrangements respecting insurance, etc.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES. Hongkong, 3rd March, 1932. [531]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

M. S. CHEF-MECANICIEN MAILHOT.

CONSIGNEES of cargo for Hongkong from Europe per above steamer are hereby notified that owing to the strike of Chinese seamen and cargo coolies, the said steamer is not calling at Hongkong. Cargo for this port will be carried on and will be returned when conditions here become normal again. Consignees are therefore recommended to make their own arrangements as to insurance, etc.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES. Hongkong, 3rd March, 1932. [532]

STRUTHERS & BARRY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

M. S. "APUS" FROM PACIFIC COAST, JAPAN AND NORTH CHINA.

CONSIGNEES of cargo for Hongkong per M. S. "APUS" are hereby notified that owing to the strike of Cargo and Wharf Coolies, all cargo for Hongkong will be landed at Shanghai. Consignees are therefore recommended to make the necessary arrangements respecting insurance, etc. The cargo will be brought to Hongkong immediately conditions at this port become settled. STRUTHERS & BARRY, Agents. USSB, Emergency Fleet Corp. Hongkong, 1st March, 1932. [537]

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

EMERGENCY PORT REGULATIONS.

EXAMINATION OF VESSELS.

UNTIL further Notice all Steamships, junks, fishing and other crafts will be examined when entering or leaving Victoria Harbour. Examination vessels will lie in the Sulphur Channel to the Westward and in the Lyemun Pass to the Eastward. All launches, junks, etc. entering or leaving Victoria Harbour must approach these vessels for examination. Launches after Examination will be passed in or out of the Harbour by Flag-Junks will be towed. At the Western Entrance, no vessel is to pass across an imaginary line drawn from Green Island to Chung Hui Island. The Sulphur Channel only is to be used. Vessels failing to comply with these regulations are liable to be fired on. These regulations do not apply to steamships over 60 tons, but should such vessel leave Harbour after the Port is closed, she will be required to show the proper night recognition signal. C. W. BECKWITH, Harbour Master, &c. Hongkong, 3rd February, 1932. [536]

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

ALL SALES at our Depot will be against CASH ONLY. Customers are requested to bring their own milk bottles, properly cleaned in order to obtain their milk supply. VOLUNTEER HELPERS are required by this Company, both at the Farms and Depot. People desirous of helping will kindly send their names in to: The Secretary, THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD. will be held at the Hongkong Hotel on Monday the 10th day of March 1932, at 11.30 a.m. when the subjoined Resolutions which were passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of shareholders held on Friday the 3rd day of March 1932, will be submitted for confirmation as special resolutions. 1. That Article 106 of this Company's Articles of Association be altered as follows:— (a) By the insertion of "£10,000" in the place of "£8,000" in the fifth line thereof. (b) By striking out in the ninth and tenth lines thereof the words "for each financial year of the Company" and inserting in place thereof the words "in every year wherein such profits shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of £150,000, and a commission of ten per cent per annum on all the net profits of the Company in excess of that sum". 2. That the above Resolution (No. 1) be retrospective and take effect from the 1st day of January, 1932. Dated the 3rd day of March, 1932. By Order of the Board, JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. [539]

HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are hereby notified that, owing to the strike, the annual General Meeting advertised for WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8th is postponed until further notice. By Order of the Board, H. N. BEAUBREPAIRE, Secretary. Hongkong, 2nd March, 1932. [491]

BRITISH LEGION.

(Hongkong and China Branch)

THE FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the CITY HALL, Hongkong on TUESDAY, 7th MARCH, 1932, at 5.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report and Accounts for the period ending 31st December, 1931, and of electing Officers and a Committee for the ensuing year, and of appointing an Hon. Secretary and Treasurer and Hon. Auditors, and of dealing with any other business. By order of the General Committee, H. K. HOLMES, Hon. Secretary. [528]

SIR ELLIS KADOORIL, DECEASED.

ALL CLAIMS against the estate of the above deceased must be sent to the undersigned forthwith. DEACON, LOOKER, DEACON & BARSTON. 2nd February, 1932. [615]

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UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

MATRICULATION AND SENIOR LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above examinations will commence on MONDAY, June 12th 1932. Forms of entry and copies of regulations and syllabus can be obtained on application to the Registrar. Each entry form duly filled in must reach the Registrar together with the fee of \$15, Hongkong currency, on or before March 11th 1932. N. TRESDALE MACINTOSH, Registrar. [511]

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments sent for insertion in the news columns of the Hongkong Daily Press, are charged for at the rate of 1/6 each, (as announced in May and June of last year) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertisement column at the prevailing rate.

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE

THE GOVERNMENT, being desirous of employing to the best advantage the offers of service they have received through various channels, invite all Able-bodied Men of any Nationality other than Chinese to attend at the CITY HALL between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on the 3rd of MARCH and subsequent days, in order that their names and qualifications may be registered. This invitation includes the Members of the British Legion, the Ex-Active Service Men's Association, and all who have already rendered their services as special constables. [539]

NOTICE

THE Captain Superintendent of Police will be glad if any person, who has motor vehicles available and is prepared to loan them to the Police Department for transport work, will send particulars forthwith to the Traffic Inspector, Central Police Station. The particulars should state whether owner drives himself and also whether he is prepared to do so as required. E. D. C. WOLFE, Captain Superintendent of Police. Hongkong, 2nd March, 1932. [534]

NOTICE

PERMITS TO LEAVE THE COLONY. ANY PERSON in possession of a Valid Passport does not require any Police permit to leave the Colony by train or boat. Non-Chinese persons who do not possess valid passports should apply at the Office of the DEPUTY-SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, Police Headquarters, for permits to leave the Colony. This Office is on the opposite side of the Police Compound to the Pass Office. E. D. C. WOLFE, (Capt. Supt. of Police). [516]

PUBLIC AUCTION

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, the 7th, 8th and 9th MARCH, 1932, at H. M. Naval Yard, Hongkong, and at Kowloon Naval Depot, commencing each day at 9.30 a.m. with an interval from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. OLD AND SURPLUS NAVAL STORES, &c., &c., &c., comprising:— 1. Gun Boats, Dingies, Whalers, Cells and Electrical Fittings, Electric Cable, Cooking Stoves, Ship's Fittings, Iron Bed, Mattresses and Fittings, Ice Chests, Steel Tanks, Life Rafts, Life Belts, Motors, Carpets, Rugs, Mats, Table Covers, Blankets, Canvas Hoses, Old Cordage, Canvas Bags, Old India Rubber, Old Leather, Old Asbestos, Old Iron, Brass Copper, Lead, Gun Metal and Steel, Coal Sacks, Firewood, Iron, Wood and Gun Metal Blocks, Lamp, Searchlights, Gauges, Propellers, Fan Engines, Steel Tubes, Steel Wire Rope, Oil, Chain Cable, Compasses, and Compass Fittings &c. 2. A quantity of Structural Steelwork sufficient for 3 complete sheds, 60 feet by 255 feet and sundry other steelwork, and rain water pipes, gutters, &c. Lots may be inspected on Monday, the 6th March, 1932. Also sale of Old and Surplus Victualing Stores at Kowloon Naval Depot on FRIDAY, 10th MARCH, comprising:— Corned Beef, Tinned Rabbit, Salt Pans, Beans and Biscuits for cattle or poultry food, Serge, Flannel, etc. Remnants, Hammocks, Bedding and Sundry Articles of Clothing and Mess Gear. Terms of Sale:— As detailed in Catalogue. HUGHES & HODGKIN, By Appointment Auctioneers to the Admiralty. Hongkong, February 2nd, 1932. [386]

NOTICE

WE beg to advise customers that we cannot undertake to accept the return of any Groceries supplied by us during the Strike. LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD. Hongkong, 2nd March, 1932. [537]

NOTICE

CLAIMS herein should be forwarded forthwith to: HASTINGS & HASTINGS, Solicitors, Hongkong. [525]

PREPAID "WANTED" ADVERTISEMENTS

Letters are lying at the Office for Boxes, CR, GS, KL, LM, LN, IR, LT, LW, MA, ME, MZ, NB, NP, OG, PD, PB, PG, PQ, PS, PT, PW, A. TO LET.—Excellent suite of Office, 4 ROOMS in Charter Road. Early possession. Apply Bpr QJ, c/o Daily Press Office. [45]

FOR SALE.—Entire Furniture, Two-Roomed FLAT. May be viewed by appointment. Apply Box QJ, c/o Daily Press Office. [44]

FOR SALE.—With occupation at early date House situated Peak District close to New Motor Road, Tennis Court attached. Apply A.D. c/o Hughes and Hoagh, No. 8, Des Voeux Road. [43]

TO LET.

NEW OFFICE ROOMS in Central Local City from 1st April. Apply SANG KEE c/o Comptroller Department, Hongkong & Shanghai Bank, Des Voeux Road. [459]

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 4TH, 1932.

GENERAL ELECTION KITES

THE latest cables from Home regarding the crisis in the Cabinet lend additional interest to the latest Home newspapers which are filled with partisan controversy over the prospects of an early General Election. One might imagine that there was nothing on the face of the earth half so important as the question whether Mr. Lloyd George would go to the country in a few weeks—February was the date under discussion—or later on in the year. "Heaven forbid there should be an election now," said some; "it would mean the break up of the Coalition, and let the Socialists loose on the country." "It would prevent trade recovery," was the cry raised by others, which immediately stirred the pessimists into action with the retort that trade is so bad that a General Election or anything else the politicians can do will make no difference. If the truth is to be stated, the real objection to a General Election is that the Conservatives are not quite ready for it. For one thing they want to strengthen the position of the House of Lords so as to enable that august assembly to have fuller authority over legislation. This, in their view, ought to be done before the electors are called upon again to choose their representatives in Parliament. As things stand now, the House of Commons can force certain measures on to the Statute Book despite the opposition of the House of Lords. Especially is this the case in regard to financial matters. The only thing necessary is to get the Speaker to certify that a particular Bill is a Money Bill, and the Peers are powerless. They cannot interfere to any purpose; and, of course, the point is vital, since it is true that whoever holds the purse rules.

The Conservatives, and also a great number of Liberals, are quite convinced that the ancient privileges of the House of Lords must be restored as soon as possible, especially as post-war experiences of strikes and other forms of agitation have made it tolerably clear, that there is a lot of more or less revolutionary material about the country. The idea is that if by any chance a Labour Government climbed into power, at the next General Election, with extremists at its head, it is conceivable that mad-hatter legislation would be attempted. This is putting it very mildly. A House of Commons with the "wild men" of Labour politics on the Ministerial Benches is not a prospect to be lightly contemplated. The House of Lords with undiminished authority to reject—or, at any rate, to delay—Bills sent up from the House of Commons is manifestly a tremendous Constitutional safeguard; and the old Parliamentary hands are anxiously seeking to buttress the rights of the Second Chamber, so that it can withstand Socialism in a legislative sense, and any other "ism" including Bolshevism. For the present the Conservatives have gained time. The plan of having a "lightning election" like that which took the constituents off their feet a month after the Armistice, has had to be dropped. Nobody wants a General Election now, and the suggestion that the PRIME MINISTER requires a fresh mandate to cheer him up under his heavy load of responsibility is not exactly convincing. What the country does want is some proof of a practical nature that the Government are in real earnest in their professed anxiety to cut down taxation. That is the chief thing that matters; and it is by no means necessary or justifiable to obtain from the electorate an assurance on a subject about which there is no shadow of doubt whatever.

For the student of politics the situation is particularly interesting in so far as it enables one to see the various currents and eddies in these troubled waters. Apart from the broad questions of policy which have to be taken into account in connection with a General Election, there is the position of the Prime Minister. Mr. Lloyd George, as head of the Government, has a definite position, which he fills with great distinction. But where will he find himself on a reversion from Coalition to party politics? This is the absorbing topic. At the moment he is a Prime Minister without a Party. Some months ago there was talk of forming a National Party, but nothing came of it. It is inconceivable that Mr. Lloyd George could lead the Conservatives, and, moreover, they do not want him. To the Liberals who have remained faithful to Mr. Asquith he is anathema; and thus he is left with the Coalition Liberals, who are numerically unimportant and, generally speaking, impotent. From the foregoing it will be fairly apparent that the questions uppermost for the time being—the questions that count—are whether the Coalition would be likely to survive a General Election, or go to pieces if and when there is an appeal to the country again; and in the latter event, what would become of the Prime Minister? Nobody can pretend to know, and this gives the political situation a peculiar piquancy for the time being. How will the two millions of unemployed, largely ex-Service men, vote when they have the chance? Will they poll for Labour, so as to return a Labour Government? Also, how will the millions of women electors mark the ballot papers? There is nothing for it at present but to adopt Mr. Asquith's pet formula and "Wait and see!"

Professor Danenberg's Pupils' Piano-forte Recital is postponed until further notice.—ADVT.

Mr. John Alston, of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, has returned to Yokohama to resume his old post in charge of the local branch of the Bank during the absence on furlough of Mr. A. H. Tait.

Mr. Zen Yamamoto, Vice-Consul of the Japanese Consulate-General in Hongkong, has been transferred to the Japanese Consulate-General at Calcutta and will leave here for Calcutta on March 6th by the s.s. Tandu.

On April 15th, the day on which the Prince of Wales will arrive in Tokyo, some 750,000 flowers, with ribbons showing the Union Jack and the Rising Sun, will be offered for sale by women belonging to various associations.

Major Matthews, R.G.A., has been taken on the strength of the China Command. Major Matthews has arrived to fill the vacancy created by the impending departure of Major T. M. Wakefield, who has been promoted to the rank of Lieut.-Colonel and is shortly leaving on transfer to Singapore.

Mr. J. T. Ollerston, of No. 23, Kennedy Road, prosecuted his houseboy before Mr. J. R. Wood yesterday morning for theft for a suit of clothes, a razor and a felt hat. The accused, who admitted the charge, said he stole the property because Mr. Ollerston refused to give him an advance to buy provisions. Sentence of three months' imprisonment with hard labour was passed.

In the taking of the last police census of Tokyo, the police have discovered one married couple whose combined ages reach sixteen years. This is a happy Chinese groom of nine, who has taken unto himself a wife of the mature age of seven. The newspaper report adds that the couple have no children! These youthful honeymooners are not alone among the married children of the city, the census takers having located forty-four grooms whose ages range from ten to fifteen, and 143 brides who have not yet celebrated their fifteenth birthday, Japanese style.

Mr. C. D. Wilkinson, who retired from the well-known legal firm of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, at the beginning of the present year, is bidding farewell to the Colony to-morrow. Mr. Wilkinson has been practising as a solicitor in Hongkong since 1888, and has always enjoyed a high reputation as a lawyer. He has written several valuable treatises on legal subjects, including an authoritative volume on the law relating to trade marks. Socially, "Wilkie" enjoyed the friendship and esteem of a very wide circle of friends whose best wishes will follow him in his retirement in England. Mr. Wilkinson is a member of the Thatched House Club in London.

DEATH OF MR. A. H. CREW.

Much regret will be felt at the announcement of the death, which took place at the French Convent Hospital, yesterday, of Mr. A. H. Crew who was associated with the legal firm of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings. Mr. Crew was operated on for appendicitis on Tuesday; pneumonia supervened and he died yesterday between five and six o'clock.

Mr. Crew, who was a well-known and much respected solicitor, was only 35 years of age. He arrived in Hongkong in 1911. The deep sympathy of a wide circle of legal and other friends will be extended to his sister, Mrs. Davidson, wife of Mr. E. Davidson of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings.

SIR FRANCIS PIGGOT'S AFFAIRS.

BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS.

An application was made to Mr. Registrar Mellor in the Bankruptcy Court, on January 24th, for the approval of a composition of 5s. in the £ on the debts provable under the receiving order made in February, 1929, against Sir Francis Taylor Piggot, of Stone-buildings, Lincoln's Inn, W.C. Mr. C. B. Warren, Assistant Official Receiver, said that the Debtor desired an adjournment of the application for three months. His Honour granted an adjournment until May 2nd. A statement of affairs showed gross liabilities of £20,812, expected to rank for £27,557, against net assets £264.

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S.S. "CITY OF CALCUTTA" ... 20th March. Shanghai Kobe & Yokohama.

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"NOVARA"	8,250	15th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	8,987	25th Apr.	do.
"PLASSY"	7,846	10th May	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"SICILIA"	8,700	17th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DONGOLA"	8,000	24th May	do.
"KHYBER"	9,000	7th June	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"SOUDAN"	8,700	18th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,418	21st June	do.
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Radio-telegrams will also be delivered at the aforementioned hours only but where possible they will be telephoned to recipients as soon as received.

All pillar-boxes will be closed from noon to-day.

The mail dispatched to Keelung per s.s. "Banyai Maru No. 2" on 24th ult. has been returned to Hongkong as the vessel had to put back owing to heavy weather in the Formosa Channel.

The attention of the Public is directed to Para. 40, 50, & 51 of the Hong Kong Postal Guide under which Circulars are, if addressed to Hong Kong or Ports of China where British Postal Agencies are established, delivered if prepaid in stamps at one cent each. Such Circulars must be posted in batches of not less than ten of uniform size and weight and should be handed to an officer of the Post Office. Circulars must, if posted singly or addressed to places other than Hong Kong or the British Postal Agencies in China be prepaid two cents each in stamps.

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From	Per	Due
SHANGHAI	Hunan	4th inst.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Straits, Bangkok, Calcutta and Aden Swatow, Amoy, and Koolung Koolung, Shanghai, North China, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America, EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, South Africa, India via Dhannakhodi, Egypt & Europe via MARSEILLES The Parcel Mail will be closed on Tuesday, 14th inst. at 5 p.m. Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, South Africa, India via Dhannakhodi, Egypt & Europe via MARSEILLES	Tunda Kaio Maru Shinyo Maru Kaita Kamo Maru	Saturday, 4th, 5.00 P.M. Tuesday, 7th, 9.00 A.M. Wednesday, 8th, 9.45 A.M. Registration 10.30 A.M. Wednesday, 15th, 8.45 A.M. Registration 9.30 A.M. Friday, 17th, 8.45 A.M. Registration 9.30 A.M.

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Bank Bills, on demand ... 570

Bank Bills, at 20 days sight ... 530

ON NEW YORK.—

Bank Bills, on demand ... 511

Bank Bills, at 60 days sight ... 53

ON SHANGHAI.—

Bank Bills, on demand ... 1841

Bank Bills, at 20 days sight ... 1841

ON HONGKONG.—

Bank Bills, on demand ... 103

Bank Bills, at 20 days sight ... 103 1/2

ON SHANGHAI.—

Bank Bills, on demand ... 101

Bank Bills, at 20 days sight ... 125

ON HONGKONG.—

Bank Bills, on demand ... 100

Bank Bills, at 20 days sight ... 100

ON SHANGHAI.—

Bank Bills, on demand ... 831

Bank Bills, at 20 days sight ... 830

ON HONGKONG.—

Bank Bills, on demand ... 48.40

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